

Requested by Senator Carol Williams

For the House Free Conference Committee

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1. Page B-3, line 22.

Strike: "2,727,931 2,725,183" [general fund FY 12 FY 13]

Insert: "3,218,233 3,215,836" [general fund FY 12 FY 13]

2. Page B-3, line 25.

Strike: "38,246,179 38,247,740" [federal special fund FY 12 FY 13]

Insert: "40,596,849 40,597,387" [federal special fund FY 12 FY 13]

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Explanation - This amendment restores the federal Title X Family Planning Grant and state general fund for contraceptives to the level requested by the executive in DPHHS budget. The funds are included in the Family and Community Health Bureau budget within the Public Health and Safety Division of DPHHS.

Item 1 reinstates base level funding for contraceptives includes in the Public Health and Safety Division of DPHHS. Contraceptive funding provides coverage for more than 2,000 women with low incomes each year. This item restores \$490,302 in FY 2012 and \$490,653 in FY 2013.

Item 2 restores family planning services in the Public Health and Safety Division. This item restores \$2,350,670 in federal funds in FY 2012 and \$2,349,647 in federal funds in FY 2013.

Federal law prohibits this funding from being used for abortions. Title X clinics in Montana serve more than 27,000 men and women with preventive and primary care services including complete physical exams, screenings for breast and cervical cancer, pregnancy tests, and HIV and STD tests. 60% of the women accessing Title X clinics consider it their primary access to health care. The amendment restores federal funds for family planning services made to non-profits, county health departments, and for administration and state level activities in DPHHS.